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PRODUCING THE SAME

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Sir:

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 4, 2004 RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Communication is submitted in response to the November 4, 2004 Restriction Requirement issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the November 4, 2004 Restriction Requirement is due December 4, 2004. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

REMARKS

In the November 4, 2004 Restriction Requirement, the Examiner to whom the subject application is assigned has indicated that restriction would be required under 35 U.S.C. §121 to one of the following allegedly distinct inventions:

- Group I. Claims 1-10 and 21, drawn to a polymer gel electrolyte composition and an electrochemical device, classified in class 429, subclass 303;
- Group II. Claims 11-17, drawn to a method of producing a polymer gel electrolyte composition, classified in class 252, subclass 62.2; and